

REMARKS

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the final Office Action mailed December 12, 2007. Claims 1-33 and 35-42 were pending in the Application prior to the outstanding Office Action. The present response amends claims 1, 13, 23, and 33. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

I. Specification Objection

In the Office Action mailed December 12, 2007 the specification is objected to for failing to provide antecedent basis for the claimed invention. Applicant respectfully submits that Paragraph [0021] explicitly disclosed one embodiment of the present invention that is implemented using a general purposed or specialized digital computer. Hence, the specification provides antecedent basis for the claimed invention. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

II. Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103

In the Office Action mailed December 12, 2007, the Examiner rejects claims 1-33 and 35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Desai Arpan (December 3-14, 2001) in view of Wang et al. U.S. Patent No. 7,062,507.

Claim 1 is amended to further define “*performing a match that is associated with an XQuery method on said event of the stream of events.*” Applicant respectfully submits that **XQuery** is a query language (with some programming language features) that is designed to query collections of XML data. It is semantically similar to SQL, a structured query language. (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/XQuery>).

On the other hand, Desai discloses Sequential XPath or SXPath that is a subset of Xpath. However, Desai does not teach an XML query method such as XQuery can be used to query against the document based on the stream of discrete events with each event representing a piece of the document as the document is being parsed by a streaming parser.

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III. Conclusion

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Applicant respectfully reserves the right to prosecute any originally presented or canceled claims in a continuing or future application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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